



Liz Conrad, president of the Panhellenic Council, introduces herself during the Student Organization Conduct Policy Informational Forum Wednesday evening. More than 100 students attended the forum to learn more about the proposed policy.

Opposition to proposition

Students challenge Student Organization Conduct Policy

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Northwest has proposed a new Student Organization Conduct Policy, causing an uproar among students in opposition to the policy. The proposed Student Organization Conduct Policy outlines the University's behavioral expectations to all formally recognized student organizations. It also provides a structure for addressing policy violations, binding all organizations to be treated equitably and held to the same rules and policy. Vice President of Student Affairs Matt Baker said that this policy has been on the University's radar for years now. Baker said the University has processes that are inconsistent, putting the University at possible risk. Students have taken to Twitter to voice their concern and opposition to the proposed Student

Organization Conduct Policy. A Twitter page, Our Vision Matters, was created Nov. 14 and has over 370 followers. The #ourvisionmatters hashtag has more than 420 total uses; it was created to spread the word to students about the proposed policy. There are four main points students have voiced concerns about regarding the proposed policy: unequal representation on the Student Organization Conduct Board Hearings, strict probation sanctions, possibility of double jeopardy and amnesty. Baker said he appreciates all the student feedback, as it is a positive thing to see students engaged. However, the level of frustration students are expressing is far beyond anything Baker had anticipated. Baker, Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs Kori Hoff-

mann and a representative of Husch Blackwell met with student leaders Sept. 24, hosting several sessions highlighting what the proposed policy would entail. The proposed policy was then shared with student leaders Nov. 7, and another session with student leaders was hosted Nov. 12 to hear concerns. Baker said feedback was sought from National Greek organizations, Greek chapter advisors and members of the University Foundation Board who are Greek alumni. "If I had any inclination there was this much anxiety and frustration about it, we would have done things differently. It's an art trying to figure out what is going to ignite passion in people. Clearly, we missed on this one," Baker said. "The fact that people think we're trying to pull a fast one, I get, I respect that opinion. It hurts because I truly didn't have any inclination

that it would cause this much stress and anxiety." Baker said the proposed policy would only affect around 17 organizations. Formally recognized student organizations are already following the policies outlined in the proposed Student Organization Conduct Policy except for Greek-affiliated organizations. There are currently three different groups to hear student organization alleged violations. The Student Code of Conduct oversees all organizations that are not Greek affiliated. Greek-affiliated organizations are heard by Panhellenic Council and Interfraternity Council. The Student Code of Conduct is responsible for 90 percent of all student organizations, the other 10 percent are Greek and are held responsible by Panhellenic and IFC.

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Plans in motion for new city trails

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The city of Maryville will potentially see two new walking and biking trails in the near future, one of which would trace an iconic Northwest street. Maryville City Council approved resolutions requesting funding and support from the Missouri Department of Transportation for two trail projects in late October. The projects would be extensions built off existing trails on Fourth Street and Torrance Street. Traced by a series of Bearcat paws, Fourth Street is home to some of Northwest's most scenic and well-known areas, including Bearcat Stadium, Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building, International Flag Plaza and Colden Pond. "In front of fine arts, there is no sidewalk on that Southside, this would be to continue that connectivity," Manager of Capital Programs Scott Kuhlemeyer said. Fourth Street also contains multiple crosswalks, something that both Northwest and city officials want to solve. "It would eliminate five to six pedestrian crossings on the University campus," City Manager Greg McDanel said. "We know how they go everywhere in that section so this would consolidate that down to two or three." Assistant Vice President of Facility Services and Capital Programs Allen Mays said the trail would also help accommodate large



Northwest is planning to finance a walking trail on Fourth Street, one that would eliminate multiple crosswalks.

crowds of people that walk to get to the football stadiums on game day. "You see people walking through the grass. You really don't pay attention a whole lot to the crosswalks because you're walking across the grass instead. We feel like we're addressing a lot of those issues," Mays said. In addition to new streetlights in the area, the school is expected to plant a series of trees to help

tie in with the campus arboretum. May said the project was one example of Northwest's campus master plan, a comprehensive or far-reaching plan of action for improving Northwest. "Beautification and wayfinding is an aspect of campus master plan, so there are a number of projects that are associated with that," Mays said. "This is a focal area of the campus."

Mays credited the student body, noting that new student fees have been critical for Northwest to be able to carry out master plan beautification projects like this. Roughly 43 percent of the Torrance Street trail will be paid for by the city and the rest by state.

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University to deck halls with Yuletide Feaste

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The University is preparing to host its 45th annual Yuletide Feaste, featuring performances and a meal centered around 16th-century cuisine. The Feaste will be held in the ballroom at 6:30 p.m. on Dec. 7 and Dec. 8 in the J. W. Jones Student Union. The Feaste features performances by the Northwest Madraliers, the Recorder Consort and the Royale Brass Quintet. Yuletide Feaste Director Brian Lanier said the Feaste is a reenactment of a Madrigal feast from the 16th century. He also said the event is a tradition that goes on both around the world and in the United States amongst schools and colleges.

"It (the Feaste) is an evening get together with a banquet with great food. Aramark prepares an array of food, a big prime rib, turkey and all kinds of wonderful food," Lanier said. "Then the Madralies, which is a chamber choir here at Northwest, we set up on the stage and perform songs throughout the evening. We have a brass quintet that plays holiday music throughout the evening. We also have a recorder group, about 19 players that play recorders. So throughout the evening, there is entertainment, and then we have a king and queen who preside over the festivities." Lanier said the Feaste experience begins the moment people enter the building. "At the beginning of the evening as people are coming into the Union building, we have four groups of singers stationed throughout the building so as people come in they hear Christmas carols going throughout the building," Lanier said. "You can hear the music throughout the building, and then they come upstairs to the third floor and that is where we have transformed the ballroom to simulate a 16th-century castle's big dining hall. We have all kinds of banners and decorations and trees and lights, and it is just a beautiful thing." Preparation for the Feaste begins at the beginning of the year and continues until the performance in December, Lanier said. "We actually start planning it in August because that is when I select music that the choir will sing for the event and then we rehearse our music throughout the fall term," Lanier said. "One day next week, in fact, we will take all of our set pieces. We've got tables and chairs, banners and lights, and they're all down here (Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building) in the basement so we put them in the truck and take them over to the Union. Then on Sunday afternoon, on the second of December, we get in there, we work and set it up." Madraliers Section Leader junior Jaymie Argotsinger said a lot of work goes into preparing for the Feaste throughout the semester. "We spend four hours a week rehearsing through the entire semester and when Feaste gets closer there is more time put into this show," Argotsinger said. Though the Feaste has been going on for decades now, Lanier said very little changes are made from year to year.

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Maryville approves higher utility rate

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The City Council unanimously approved an ordinance Monday night that would increase the rates of two utilities come next year.

A 10 percent increase to both water and sewer rates was approved after much discussion from City Council, particularly on how rate increases are determined and how often utility rates have to be increased.

Including the new increases, sewer and water rates have increased a combined five times since 2013, beginning when the city financed a state-mandated \$14 million mechanical wastewater treatment facility.

Water rates were increased by 5 percent and sewer rates by 40 percent in 2013 and then again in 2016 when sewer rates increased another 20 percent.

City Finance Director Denise Towns said rate increases are required as part of the finance agreement for covering debt repayment for treatment facility construction, capital projects and regular plant maintenance and operation.

“Rates increases are standard for utilities, especially water and sewer which are some of the more volatile and expensive,” City Manager Greg McDanel said. “There were communities across the state, still are, that experiencing 150 percent rate increases just to pay for the mandated EPA.”

Towns said that with the city having to dip into its reserve funding to pay for capital projects at the facility, increases will also help replenish those.

“Trying not to do an increase every year, trying to stagger it at least every two years if possible,” Towns said. “So some of that has led to bigger rate increases all at once.”

McDanel said Maryville was fortunate to have had good financial management that allowed them to keep their fund in good shape throughout the process.

The rate increase is expected to raise a person’s monthly bill anywhere from \$3.50 to \$4.89 depending on consumption rates.



Northwest student Leah Olawaiye and other Maryville residents will see increases to their water and sewer rates starting at the beginning of 2019.

Councilman Matt Johnson raised questions about the totality of rate increases and about new water meters that were installed throughout the city in 2016 and 2017.

The agreement with Schneider Electric for the meters would have allowed the city to reclaim certain funds if rates were met.

McDanel said that the city had not been able to meet those standards last year.

“The analysis that was done by Schneider Electric had indicated on average that there was a 10 percent water loss,” Town said. “So they were expecting to have about a 10 percent increase.”

The rate increase is scheduled to take effect in January 2019 and would generate approximately

\$487,000 in revenue.

City discusses potential guideline plans for the downtown redesign

Much of the discussion centered around a previous 2009 downtown design plan that the council hopes to revise and continue for downtown revitalization.

The plan was made possible through the Missouri Downtown Revitalization & Economic Assistance for Missouri initiative, which allows for select communities to receive technical assistance for their downtown design plans.

“The design guidelines are essential planning recommendations for policy and procedural decisions,” McDanel said.

The discussion shifted to how

the city should eventually implement those plans, whether through a resolution or ordinance.

Whereas a resolution is essentially a suggested guideline, an ordinance is ingrained in the city’s code and must be abided by.

Once the guideline plan is finally determined, the city will present it to local stakeholders and downtown Maryville for further discussion and review.

McDanel said the hope is to adopt the development plan as a resolution and then have property

owners, stakeholders and the city determine what aspects need to be implemented into city code.

“In a lot of these dream communities, a lot of these downtown revitalization efforts, they want to know that if they make an investment in their property that their next door neighbor is going to be held to the same standard,” McDanel said.

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University cancels class after blizzard

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The blizzard over Thanksgiving break has concluded with Maryville receiving more than 6 inches of snow.

In response to potential weather conditions, the University announced Sunday morning that campus would remain closed until noon Monday. University officials later decided Monday morning around 8 a.m. to close campus for the remainder of the day, canceling all classes.

Bearcat Commons in the Union was open for dining, Foster Fitness was open from 3 to 9 p.m., and the B.D. Owens Library was open from 4 to 11:45 p.m., but other than those buildings, all others remained closed Monday.

Police Chief Clarence Green said the decision to close the University is made by President John Jasinski, but Jasinski considers feedback from other University officials and faculty to make the decision.

"We were looking at that delayed start at first because we were really believing that the storm would end at 6 p.m. (Sunday night) based on reports that we had and the winds would die down as well," Green said. "But we tracked that overnight and once we learned that those winds didn't die down and we still had a lot of blocked roadways, that made us extend that to Monday."

Surrounding schools like the University of Central Missouri, University of Missouri-Kansas

City, Northwest Missouri State - Kansas City, Missouri Western and Maryville High School canceled classes Monday before the University did.

This resulted in students taking to Twitter, asking the University to cancel classes for the full day Monday as well.

The University opened up residential halls early in anticipation of dangerous weather. The halls were originally planned to be opened up Nov. 25 at 1 p.m. and were moved to open Nov. 24 at 2 p.m.

Green said he estimates, from the number of cars parked in residential parking lots by midnight Saturday, that 70 to 80 percent of on-campus students had returned to Maryville.

"We opened up the campus on Saturday for early arrivals, no charge for that," Green said. "We were hoping to get the majority of our students back."

Senior Blake Charboneau is one out of the many students who decided to drive to Maryville Saturday to ensure safe travels. Charboneau made the trip back to Maryville from Desloge, Missouri.

"I came back to Maryville early to avoid the hazardous weather conditions that I would face on the commute across the state," Charboneau said. "I was honestly not expecting the University to cancel classes on Monday."

More snow is in the forecast for this upcoming weekend, UPD encourages students to monitor weather conditions when making plans.



Northwest Facility Services crews continue to remove snow from campus sidewalks and parking lots as late as Wednesday, Nov. 28, three days after Maryville experienced blizzard-like conditions.

Student Senate creates professional liaison position

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Student Senate created a new position, announced a new ad-hoc committee and took nominations for senior class representatives during its meeting Tuesday.

Student Senate voted unanimously to amend its bylaws, creating a professional advancement liaison position. The PAL will be an appointed, non-voting position and is required to give a weekly report at the full student senate meetings consisting of upcoming career, networking and any other profession-based events occurring in the com-

munity on campus.

The position was introduced at the Nov. 13 meeting, after which some alterations were made to the wording of the amendment to maintain consistency with the rest of the bylaws.

Governmental Affairs Vice Chair sophomore Kirayle Jones said the position will benefit Northwest students by improving awareness of professional growth opportunities on campus.

"Governmental Affairs and some members of the executive board thought that this would be a good position because it connects students to what's going on around

the campus professionally," Jones said. "The PAL will come out of the Career Services Office and work really closely with keeping us informed about how to shake hands, how to give presentations, what to wear to a job interview, things like that to help us when we're getting ready to get out into the real world."

Student Senate is creating an ad-hoc committee to decide how to use the carryover budget from last school year toward improving the campus. Student Senate has \$12,091 leftover from last school year's budget after drawing from it twice this semester.

Student Senate heard nomina-

tions for the two senior class representative positions, which will be vacant next semester after two senators graduate. Seniors TJ Johnson, Joseph Napp, Jacob Barnes and Khristian Nivens were nominated during the meeting.

The inclusion committee appropriated \$1,500 of its \$5,000 budget to the Indian Student Association for the dinner it's hosting Dec. 1.

The public relations committee live-tweeted the meeting rather than streaming it on Facebook live for the second meeting in a row. Public Relations Chair Jacob Barnes said live-tweeting is not a permanent replacement for the

livestream but will serve to inform the student body while the streaming setup is improved.

"A lot of people have liked (the live-tweets) and shared it, and it's especially good for people who can't attend the meetings, and people are always on Twitter," Barnes said. "My plan for next semester is to get really good gear from Wells (Hall) and do a live production with multiple camera angles, a switcher so we can switch between angles, and I want to turn it into this awesome thing."

Barnes said once the livestream comes back, Vice Chair Madi Cobb will live-tweet the meetings.

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University on hook for not providing warnings against phishing



With the semester coming to an end, I’ve learned several important tips for getting by. Specifically, I’ve learned to constantly check my email or else risk missing information.

In order to succeed, it’s vitally important to constantly check our email, and through discovering this, I’ve also discovered something else: Northwest has a phishing problem, and no, I don’t mean fishing.

In essence, phishing is a manipulative tactic used by anyone with the goal of gaining access to our personal information, often carried out through deceptive emails. In other words, whenever we browse through our inbox and stumble across a suspicious email offering a too-good-to-be-true part-time job, we’ve just received a phishing email.

Falling victim to a phishing email can result in a myriad of problems for the victim.

To clarify, our information is still safe as long as we don’t follow any links in the email or provide any form of our information to a potential contact provided. However, if we do either of these, depending on the extent of the information provided, our financial and personal accounts can be compromised.

Securityweek, an online publication that provides coverage over security issues in the digital world, further explains this.

“Once the user visits the fake site they may be asked overtly to enter account information such as usernames, passwords, credit card details, social security or bank account numbers,” Securityweek said.

The last thing any college student needs added on top of their already stressed-filled life, is to find out their personal information has been compromised due to a phishing email.

In order to combat phishing, there are several steps we can personally take.

According to the Anti-Phishing Working Group, these steps include being on the lookout for suspicious emails, avoiding clicking unknown links and avoiding sending personal and financial information in emails. However, combating phishing is not just an individual battle.

Northwest should be taking more steps to ensure students don’t fall victim to phishing emails. One way the University could do so is by doing a better job of spreading information about phishing.

Only two digital locations warning students of phishing attacks exist on the University’s website. The first location is on the myNorthwest homepage, and the second location is buried in the tech help page of the main website.

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LEAH BRUCE

OUR VIEW:

Unnecessary outcry
New policy has students riled up for no reason

The response from students about the proposed Student Organization Conduct Policy, while admirable, is misplaced.

Out of all the things on this campus to be up in arms about, the proposed organization policy shouldn’t be one of them.

Almost all formally recognized student organizations are already following the proposed Student Organization Conduct Policy because it is virtually the mirror image of the Student Code of Conduct, only the proposed policy is now holding all organizations to be treated equally.

The only groups not under the current policy are Greek organizations that are governed by Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic Council.

A group of student leaders created the Twitter page Our Vision Matters to give students a platform to voice their opposition to the proposed organization policy, highlighting four main points of concern within the policy in a Twitter thread Nov. 15.

These concerns are campus strict probation sanctions, the possibility of double jeopardy, no am-

nesty and unequal representation on the student conduct board.

The only valid concern here is the unequal representation that gives faculty the simple majority.

The other concerns are only an issue to those who do not fully understand the policy or those who want Greeks to have more judicial power than any other organization.

Campus strict probation is in place for “a student organization to remain recognized by the University in spite of a serious violation.”

This is a possible sanction for the Student Conduct Board to use if they see fit in the case of a serious violation. The solution here is to not commit egregious violations against the University as an organization.

The concern of double jeopardy is that an organization can charge a student with a violation and then the University can turn around and charge the entire organization to which that student belongs for the same violation.

This is a misguided concern. For one, just because an individual belongs to an organization, it does not mean that the organization will automatically be at fault for the in-

dividual’s behavior.

Also, that student being charged so chose to belong to that organization, agreeing to whatever policies set in place.

The proposed organization policy will supersede any bylaw, rule or expectation created by a student organization.

Another concern floating around campus is that an individual found in violation of a University policy will indefinitely result in the entire organization in which that individual happens to belong to be held accountable for that individual’s behavior.

In the proposed Student Organization Conduct Policy it says “A formally recognized student organization acts through its members, but the University understands that an individual can violate a University policy independent of the individual’s affiliation with the student organization.”

This means that unless a person could look at that individual violating University policy and easily say that is a specific University organization event, then the entire organization would not be at fault, the individual would be.

In the proposed policy, the Amnesty Provision of the Student Conduct Code does apply to student organizations.

Our Vision Matters claims the proposed policy says “If medical staff/emergency staff/public safety have to respond to an event associated with an organization, that organization will be sent to this conduct board.”

However, the proposed policy really says student organizations hosting an event where help is called to “may be held responsible,” not that the organization will automatically be required to go before the conduct board.

The proposed policy also goes on to say that the student organization’s willingness to seek out assistance will be taken into consideration for a less severe sanction if taken to the conduct board.

If students actually read the policy they would probably not have very many concerns about the proposed policy anymore.

Student leaders have every right to serve as watchdogs of the Northwest community.

At the same time, the whole picture should be considered.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

Student Senate stands by Bearcats

Dear Editor,

As the governing body of Northwest Missouri State University, Student Senate continues to advocate for and stand by the needs of the students of this institution.

Under consideration of the feedback Student Senate received regarding the proposed Student Organization Conduct Policy, the Cabinet of the 96th Student Senate has been working diligently to address the policy issues with administrators.

Although many have expressed confusion in the necessity of a policy of this nature, the Student Senate remains steadfast in the po-

sition that this policy is pertinent to the long-standing future of our University.

However, as the representative body of students, we are intimately akin to the concerns and frustrations of those whom we represent. The students come first - and always will.

In the future, we challenge our administration to constantly seek student input in matters that impact any member of the Student Government Association.

Student Senate’s mission statement is to act as a unified body, advancing the interests and general welfare of every student. This organization is committed to this mission on

issues especially pertinent to such policies.

The 96th Student Senate asks that the students of Northwest Missouri State University continue to represent our tradition of student excellence well.

Continue to relay concerns, continue to pursue justification, continue to seek clarification, and continue to drive progress. If not for you, the students, the Bearcat culture that defines Northwest would cease to exist.

Together,

96th Student Senate Executive Cabinet
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Public Safety building in design phase

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The new Maryville Public Safety building is getting closer to design completion.

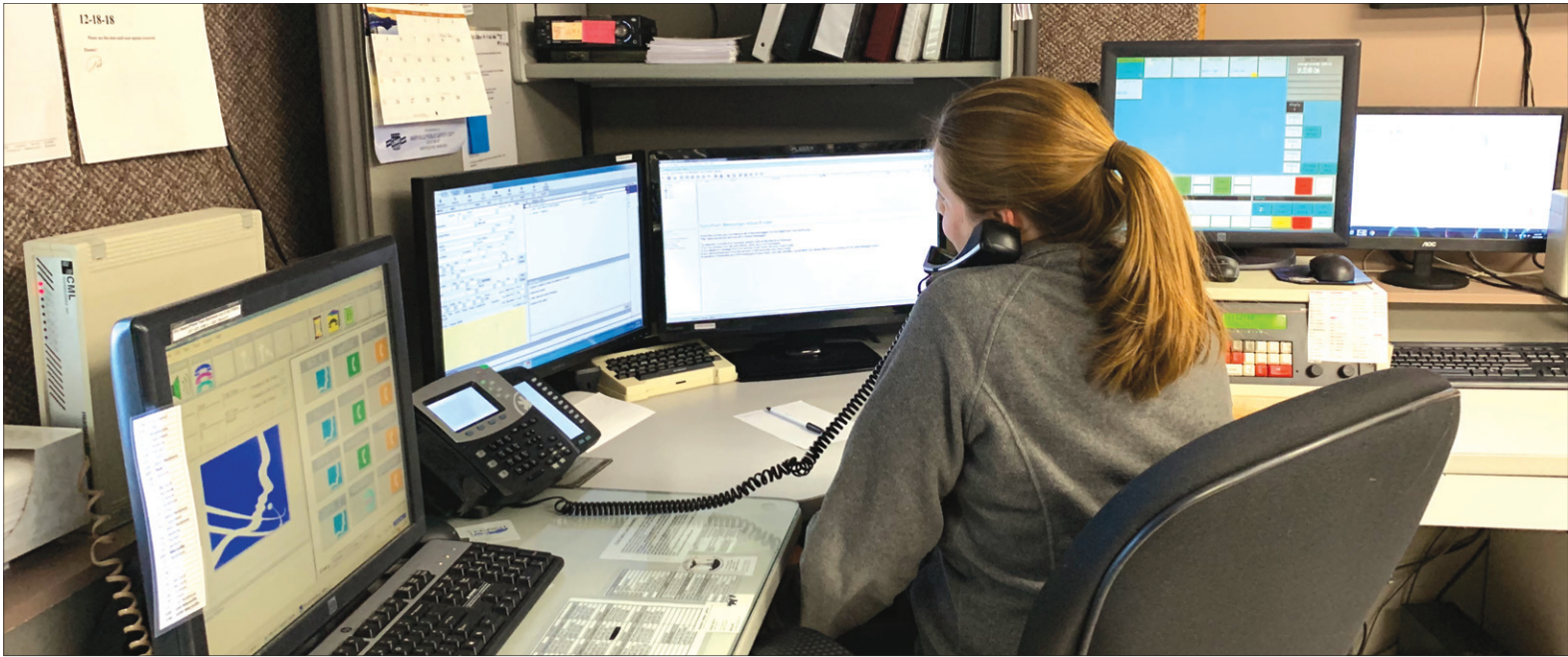
The current public safety building is in the process of being replaced by a new, modern public safety building. City Manager Greg McDanel said that the city has worked with Williams Spurgeon Kuhl & Freshnock Architects Inc. to design a new public safety building over the summer.

The design comes after a discovery in April that under Missouri House Bill 2376, Maryville cannot go with a design-build plan. Instead, the city must use a design-bid-build plan. This has cost Maryville more time and money, in the amount of \$245,000.

Throughout the summer, McDanel and city officials worked with Williams Spurgeon Kuhl & Freshnock Architects Inc. to find an appropriate design for the new public safety building.

“We’ve had multiple design meetings with the architects coming up with a site plan likely a two-story design component to it with four or five different bays, double pull-through bays,” McDanel said.

McDanel said there is no timeline on this project but he has a tar-



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Jessica Rickabaugh answers a call while working in the Maryville Public Safety dispatch bay. Operating out of what used to be an old grocery store, Maryville Public Safety is in need of a new facility for a variety of reasons, including that multiple rooms within the current facility serve more than one purpose.

get of starting the building process in spring 2019.

“We don’t have a definitive schedule right now,” McDanel said. “We are currently operating in a building that does not serve its purpose very well for our staff right now.”

Part of the design process has

been making sure the new building is up to standards.

“It takes some time to go through with an architecture firm and go through all the details from access control points, to evidence procedures,” McDanel said. “There is so much more now in law enforcement that our current build-

ing doesn’t have.”

One example McDanel gave is that by law enforcement standards, a town the size of Maryville would need three to four interview rooms.

“We currently have one room that serves a whole other bunch of different purposes,” McDanel said. The addition of two to three

more interview rooms would mean a need for more square footage and thus costing more. McDanel said this is all part of the design process.

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Baker said the proposed policy will not change things for most student organizations and that the University is trying to create an equitable playing field for all organizations.

“In my estimation and my belief, nothing will be different in January if this policy is passed,” Baker said. “90 percent of our organizations have fallen under this policy for the last seven years. This isn’t a change to 90 percent of our student organizations.”

Student Senate President Alyssa Lincoln said the main concern from Student Senate is the unequal representation on the Student Organization Conduct Board Hearings.

The proposed policy now says the board will be comprised of five members - three University officials and two students - one student being Greek affiliated and the other student non-Greek. This gives faculty the simple majority.

“I think that not having equal representation on behalf of students is wrong every time, especially because we are the reason the lights are on in this place. We are the reason a lot of people have jobs in this building,” Lincoln said. “Our voices should be heard equally, mini-

mally, I don’t think it’s that radical of a thought.”

Panhellenic President Liz Conard said the main fear from Greek Life out of the proposed policy is that it doesn’t want all the judicial power to be stripped away. Conard said that most of the time, the Greek council is more strict on Greek students than what an outsider might be.

“We’re just trying to do whatever we can to make sure we still have those judicial powers and making sure that the students are fairly represented,” Conard said.

Baker said in a meeting with students Nov. 16 judicial power for both Panhellenic Council and Interfraternity Council would still exist because there are standards within Greek Life like recruitment violations and paying fees that are not a part of University policy.

“The University can’t supersede a national organization or a regional organization policy,” Baker said. “That’s the purview of the organization you chose to belong to.”

However, if there are alleged violations of the proposed University policy, those cases would be handled by the Student Organization Conduct board instead of by the peer panels within the Panhellenic Council and IFC.

“In the IFC and Panhellenic processes right now, decisions

about the sovereignty of an organization are completely in the hands of students,” Baker said. “We’re moving from student-centric oversight to a balance of students and employees.”

Another reason students have expressed concern with the proposed policy is that it removes the Amnesty Provision of the Student Conduct Policy that is currently in the act.

The proposed policy says the student organization’s willingness to contact authorities will be seen as a “mitigating factor,” meaning sanctions could be less severe. Baker reiterated this point in a meeting with students Nov. 16. Baker added that the University does not have to send the organization that called

for assistance to the Student Organization Conduct Board, but this policy gives the University the option to do so.

The Board of Regents is scheduled to vote on the proposed Student Organization Conduct Policy at its regular board meeting Dec. 13.

Baker will be speaking in front of the Board of the Regents at the Dec. 13 meeting. He said one of his roles is to represent students, and he plans on sharing that feedback with the board as well as conferring with the University’s legal counsel, Husch Blackwell, for the best practices moving forward.

Our Vision Matters movement has hosted several office hours and informational meetings to inform

students of the proposed policy. A Student Organization Conduct Policy Informational Forum was also hosted Nov. 28 and featured Baker, Greek Life Coordinator Megan Deshon-Runge and Faculty Attorney Dan Smith as panelist to answer question about the policy.

“It’s a great start. It’s peaceful, it’s not violent, it’s powerful,” Lincoln said. “The Our Vision Matters came from the Board of Regents page. The Regents mission statement essentially is that they hold the Northwest vision in the highest regard. And Northwest’s vision is every student, every day. So, our vision, students’ vision, matters to the Board of Regents. So let’s make that true in this policy.”



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HOROSCOPE

By MetroCreative



VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22
Spend time exercising at the gym or go on a hike this week to relieve some feelings of anxiety, Virgo. This will help calm you down and refocus.

LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23
Libra, an exciting communication could come your way in the next few days, sparking all sorts of changes in your life. Just weigh through all the options first.

SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22
Scorpio, you may want to participate in group activities or make a few new friends but do not know where to start. It’s all in the way you present yourself.

SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21
A powerful burst of energy has the potential to turn you into a workaholic this week, Sagittarius. You must keep yourself in check so you do not burn out quickly.

CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20
Capricorn, frustration can rear its ugly head when you don’t need it to visit. You’ll overcome this obstacle if you focus on positivity and the light at the end of the tunnel.

AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18
A busy week is ahead and you will need to put your head down and get to work, Aquarius. Rest, exercise and time spent with the ones you love can make it all worthwhile.

PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20
Pisces, there’s a lot of work to do at home, but right now you may not be in the right frame of mind to start. Wait to start until you’re ready.

TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21
Taurus, honesty with the people you care about is important, but work to avoid being too blunt when getting your point across. Try tempering the information shared.

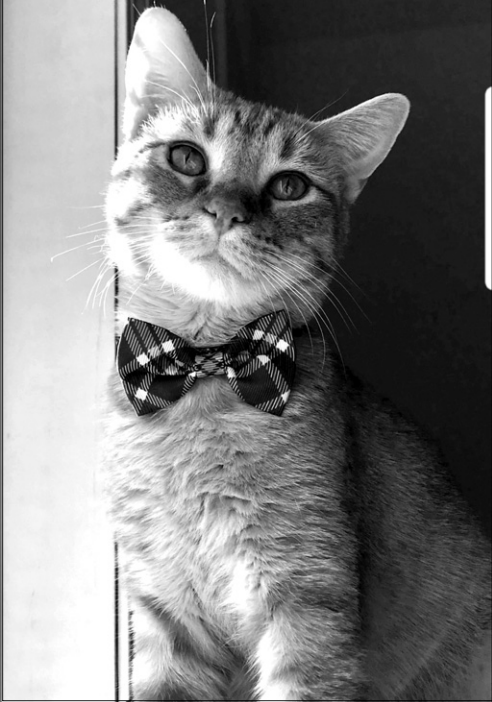
GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21
Gemini, your home can seem like a major travel hub at times, with people coming and going at all hours. Find your quiet zone and retreat there when you need to recharge.

CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22
Cancer, you probably have a lot of running around to do this week and wonder how you are going to meet all of your obligations. Delegation can help with that.

LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23
Do not be surprised if many visitors pop in to say hello, Leo. Impromptu social events can be enjoyable and even perk you up when you could use a smile.

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- CLUES ACROSS
- 1. Taxi
 - 4. Long periods of time
 - 9. Boiled cow or sheep
 - 14. Ottoman military commander
 - 15. Pig
 - 16. Don’t go near
 - 17. Benin inhabitants
 - 18. Pop star
 - 20. Removes
 - 22. Your sibling’s daughter
 - 23. Trade
 - 24. Dabbled
 - 28. Tax collector
 - 29. Atomic number 73
 - 30. Russian emperor
 - 31. Broad-winged bird of prey
 - 33. Pale brownish yellow
 - 37. A type of bill
 - 38. One or a sum of things
 - 39. Stiff, untanned leather
 - 41. Naturally occurring solid material
 - 42. Promotional material
 - 43. Beer mug
 - 44. Nostrils
 - 46. Very rich
 - 49. Atomic number 10
 - 50. Not even
 - 51. Pulls apart
 - 55. City in western Finland
 - 58. Wing shaped
 - 59. Paddling
 - 60. Player
 - 64. Japanese classical theater
 - 65. S-shaped lines
 - 66. Coined for one occasion
 - 67. Pitching stat
 - 68. “M” actor
 - 69. Some are noble
 - 70. Lair

- CLUES DOWN
- 1. Places to eat
 - 2. Marketplace
 - 3. Unoriginality
 - 4. Administrative officials
 - 5. Female sheep and a loch in Scotland
 - 6. Something to drill for

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- 7. Midway between north and northeast
- 8. Cassia tree
- 9. Founder of medical pathology
- 10. Long-legged wading bird
- 11. ___ and goers
- 12. Go quickly
- 13. Used to cut and shape wood
- 19. Small island (British)
- 21. Dry or withered
- 24. “Last of the Mohicans” actress
- 25. Manufacturers need one
- 26. Tidal bore
- 27. Makes free of moisture
- 31. Semitic titles
- 32. Inappropriate
- 34. Gregory ___, US dancer
- 35. - ___, denotes past
- 36. Makes nicer
- 40. Indicates position
- 41. Made a priest
- 45. Sixth month of Jewish calendar
- 47. One who refrains
- 48. Type of top
- 52. Pay increase
- 53. Curved shape
- 54. Keeping down
- 56. Sleep sound
- 57. Tiny Iranian village
- 59. Only one time
- 60. Elected official
- 61. Before the present
- 62. Genus of grasses
- 63. Autonomic nervous system

LAST WEEK’S SOLUTIONS

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KENKEN

By Krazydad.com

Fill in the blank squares so that each row and each column contain all of the digits 1 thru 9. The heavy lines indicate areas (called cages) that contain groups of numbers that can be combined (in any order) to produce the result shown in the cage, with the indicated math operation. For example, 12x means you can multiply the values together to produce 12. Numbers in cages may repeat, as long as they are not in the same row or column.

Good Luck!

Last Week’s Solution

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New audiobook app could provide alternative ways for students to learn

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College students have to read thousands upon thousands of pages every semester just to stay caught up in various classes. A new pilot program has the potential to make this process easier.

The app Eariously will be coming to the Northwest campus in January and will provide students with a new way to read their various assignments. This app allows users to program an article or website into its search bar and the app will provide an audio reading of the article or website.

Gordon Fischer, a Peace Corps volunteer and teacher was interviewed by the creators of Eariously about his experiences with education and ADHD and how something like Eariously will help students learn.

“Eariously can help anyone learn about the news, and one of the things I’m gonna look forward to is, for example, like while I’m cooking, you can also be learning. While you’re commuting, you can be learning,” Fischer said. “Those are the two times I really think I’ll be able to use Eariously, and always being able to stay up to date is really important as an educator.”

The Eariously program is currently looking for students to sign up for the January pilot program.

Junior, interactive digital media and visual imaging major Kia Jones, works closely with the Eariously program here at Northwest.

“On the first day of school, Jacquie Lamer invited me onto a conference call with the co-creator, Nick Rimsa,” Jones said. “She found out about Eariously through Twitter and thought I’d be interested in seeing what comes of it.”

The company, which is based in Los Angeles, is in the developing stages and is looking for more information on what college students need. This has resulted in Jones becoming a student liaison to Eariously and working to bring the program here to Northwest.

“Nick was looking for a student to help give him some insights on the various learning needs of college students when it came to college-level reading assignments,” Jones said. “So we’ve basically been working together on discovering more about those needs here at Northwest.”

Jones believes that this program will be beneficial for all Bearcats and encourages people to try it out and sign up for the pilot program in January.

“This is a really useful tool for students that retain information better by listening. It can also be helpful for lengthy reading and makes it possible to listen to the content anywhere you go,” Jones said. “The software will be available to people on the waitlist in January. I’m not sure if we have an exact date yet. There will also be a focus group for students interested in sharing some feedback about what they think of the software and how they can use it.”

THE STROLLER:

Your Bearcat wants you to stay inside to survive chilly winter woes

It is barely 30 degrees outside, so it’s better to stay home where it is around 68 degrees. Stay indoors as much as possible.

There is no risk of being cold and miserable by staying on a couch under a fleece blanket during your free time.

College snow days are rare, especially at Northwest, so the odds are that you will have to travel to class with snow and ice on the ground.

Commuting students should leave at least 15 minutes earlier than normal to allow time for any problems that may arise.

Ice skating can be fun, but not in vehicles on the road. Driving in slippery conditions is already stressful enough, so being rushed will only make it worse.

Getting to campus is only one part of the travel agenda. Walking to class is another matter, which is another reason to leave even earlier.

Having plenty of travel time will minimize the likelihood that you’ll slip and spill your venti Starbucks drink all over yourself.

Pay attention to where you’re

going. That Snapchat or text message can wait until you are in a building.

Another great way to get through the brutal winter is buying in bulk.

With roads being a nightmare since they may never clear up with snow predicted every weekend, limit the shopping trips.

People may gawk at your five cases of Ramen and six bags of popcorn, but it’ll be worth it because you’re the one making the smart decision to stock up on supplies.

Aside from bulking up, drinking hot chocolate is both a delicious and healthy option.

The antioxidants found in hot chocolate boost the immune system and have been associated with a longer life and weight management.

Although drinking a sweet drink may seem counterintuitive to watching weight, hot cocoa could be the answer to combatting the Freshman 15 or Sophomore 30.

The Stroller has been a tradition since 1918 and does not reflect the views of The Northwest Missourian.

Northwest student starts clothing store

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Senior Tabbitha Bradley fulfilled her dream of starting a boutique by opening Route 46 Clothing Co. with the support of her friends.

Bradley opened the shop this summer because she loves shopping but doesn’t like the high prices. She aims to sell the clothes from her shop at the lowest prices possible.

“It was always something in the back of my mind that I wanted to do but just never had the drive,” Bradley said. “Finally, my roommate and my friends pushed me to start it.”

Bradley’s target demographic is college students because she wants to help others find affordable clothes with a minimal budget.

“As college students, we are all a little tight on money, so I try to offer my clothes at the cheapest price I can,” Bradley said.

The store is only online via Facebook. Products are announced on the Facebook page with prices so that anyone interested can comment their email to receive an invoice through Paypal. Local customers can stop by her house to pick up their purchases or she can ship them out for \$5 or less.

The clothing Bradley sells is chosen from her various sales representatives. She said the hardest part is picking which clothes to sell because she doesn’t know what others like. She also sells handmade leather earrings.

Bradley runs the store from her home to keep the stress levels at a minimum. She has an extra room set aside to store all the inventory.

“I definitely filled my plate with this,” Bradley said. “I had no idea (about) all the processes I had to go through before even opening it. But after all that was done, it’s been a blast.”

Bradley is thankful for all the help and support she gets from her friends junior Danielle Ross and senior Jade Bee Wilbourne. They support her business and help her



DARCIE DUJAKOVICH | NW MISSOURIAN
Senior Tabbitha Bradley (left) started her own clothing company, Route 46 Clothing Co. with the help of her friend junior Jenna Gerke (right) in August. While the company is solely online, the two work to create leather earrings and sell clothes for prices college students can afford.

choose the clothes to sell.

Bradley’s biggest help is junior Jenna Gerke who runs all of the social media accounts. Her favorite part of the job is taking the pictures to post online. She treats the work as a part-time job, setting aside time for it each day.

“I mainly agreed to help her because I wanted to be able to help her become successful,” Gerke said.

With Gerke’s help, Bradley’s

business has taken off.

“I’m crazy busy with it now,” Bradley said. “I feel like it will only get better.”

Bradley’s favorite part of being in charge of Route 46 Clothing Co. is getting to know all of her customers. One customer is Hail-ee Beemer.

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Young adult series grows with students

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Owls, socks, red and gold. For some people, this is just a list of random words. For many others, however, they see a list of symbols for innocence of Hedwig, Dobby the house elf’s freedom and bravery of Gryffindor house. These are all parts of the wizarding world of “Harry Potter.”

The plot revolves around a young British boy, Harry Potter, who discovers he is a wizard who defeated one of the greatest wizarding threats, Voldemort, when he was just a baby. He is to attend the magical school, Hogwarts. There he meets his two best friends, Ron Weasley and Hermione Granger, and goes on fantastic adventures.

Written by J.K. Rowling, “Harry Potter and the Philosopher’s Stone,” or “Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone,” for Americans, was rejected by seven publishers before Bloomsbury, an English publishing house, picked it up. The book debuted June 24, 1997, meaning it celebrated its 21st anniversary this year, just in time for the latest installment of the prequel series, “Fantastic Beasts: Crimes of Grindelwald,” to hit theaters.

“Fantastic Beasts,” is a prequel series taking place in the 1920s and incorporating wizarding communities in America and Europe. It focuses on Newt Scamander, the wizarding world’s version of Steve “Crocodile Hunter” Irwin, as he discovers new creatures that will end up in Hogwarts’ required textbook “Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them.”

“I really like ‘Fantastic Beasts,’” biomedical science senior Kearstin Stimmel said. “It’s a different spin on it. It takes you into the world, but it’s in a whole new aspect with new people. It’s something that you can get into.”

According to Forbes, the first prequel film, “Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them,” earned more than \$800 million, and its second installation, “Crimes of Grindelwald,” earned more than \$117 million, which is a flop when compared to its predecessors.

“I feel like ‘Fantastic Beasts’ is soulless,” human services Wyatt Williams said. “I feel like they are just milking it for all it’s worth at this point.”

Many students grew up with “Harry Potter.” It was a prominent book series marketed towards children with a new “Harry Potter” book released every one to two years after “Philosopher’s Stone” was published. It also didn’t take long for Warner Brothers Studio to



MORGAN JONES | NW MISSOURIAN

The world of Harry Potter has recently continued to expand with the release of the newest Fantastic Beasts movie, The Crimes of Grindelwald, that was released Nov. 16.

turn the young adult series into a cinematic universe.

“I can’t exactly remember what age I was when I got into ‘Harry Potter,’” biology and psychology junior Maile Johnson said. “Growing up, my mom was a ‘Harry Potter’ fan and we would often watch the movies together. She would often summarize the stories for us on car rides or if we ever had any free time. When the movies would come out, we would make it a big deal.”

“We would wait until the movies were on DVD, and we would watch them in the basement of our house. It was one of those grab the blanket and popcorn kind of things. I did enjoy the first ‘Fantastic Beasts’ movie. I liked how they incorporated ‘Harry Potter’ themes but it was still its own story. I’m looking forward to watching the second one when it comes out on DVD.”

According to Time magazine, the first “Harry Potter” movies earned a total of more than \$6 billion between the eight films.

Many people attach themselves to certain characters and houses

in the series. There are four houses in Hogwarts: Gryffindor, Slytherin, Hufflepuff and Ravenclaw. They each have their own attributes. Gryffindor values bravery and strength. Slytherin puts ambition and cunning above all else. Hufflepuff prides itself in the loyalty of its members. Ravenclaw believes wit and intelligence make the witch or wizard.

“Without a doubt, Hermione Granger is my favorite character,” Johnson said. “Growing up I really wanted to be apart of the Slytherin house. I thought that it was given a bad rep and I was the child who wanted to prove that everything has a good side and such. If you ask me now I guess I would identify with either Gryffindor or Hufflepuff house.”

While many often pick popular characters such as Hermione or Neville, cybersecurity freshman Thomas Mitchell connected with a less loved character.

“I actually identified with Severus Snape and Slytherin house,” Mitchell said. “I have a dark, quiet side.”

The franchise also spawned a Broadway play, “Harry Potter and the Cursed Child.” Rather than focus on the original “golden trio” of Ron, Hermione and Harry, the play looks at their children who are now old enough to attend Hogwarts themselves. When Harry’s son gets placed in Slytherin house, Gryffindor’s main rival, and befriends the son of Harry’s schoolyard enemy, the two set off to change the course of history and bring back a fan favorite character from the dead.

The play caused controversy in the “Harry Potter” fandom. Many fans saw this as a cash grab for the franchise. Others were upset that the original movie cast was not used and Hermione’s race was changed. According to the Guardian, neither stopped fans from buying copies of the script as it quickly topped E. L. James’ “50 Shades of Grey,” as the fastest first-week sale for books.

“Harry Potter” has permeated its way into pop culture. As one of the first fandoms, another word for a fanbase, of the Millennial generation and Generation Z, it set the

tone for other literary works such as “Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief,” and shows like “Supernatural.” It even made its way to card games like “Cards Against Humanity” and it’s expansion pack, “Cards Against Muggles.” Muggle is the term for non-magic users in the Harry Potter universe.

“For our generation, it was the first big thing people were obsessed with and people weren’t afraid to show they were obsessed with it,” Stimmel said. “It shows all different types and kinds of people in the movies.”

It is such a part of pop culture that there are fashion lines, culinary works and a theme park in Orlando, Florida, dedicated to the magical world.

“I started reading the books in elementary school because everyone else was reading them,” Williams said. “Then I watched most of the movies. The underlying messages in ‘Harry Potter’ are common messages like be yourself but it’s taken it to a whole new level. I mean we have a theme park and it’s a part of us.”

HOGWARTS HOUSE QUIZ:

What do you want to be remembered for?

- ☐ A Bravery
- ☐ B Cunning
- ☐ C Wit
- ☐ D Kindness

If you aren’t at home where can you usually be found?

- ☐ A Molly’s
- ☐ B Walmart
- ☐ C The Library
- ☐ D The Hangar

What would your patronus be?

- ☐ A Wolf
- ☐ B Fox
- ☐ C Owl
- ☐ D Lion

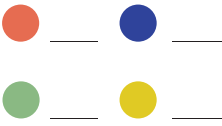
You get one super power. What is it?

- ☐ A Super strength
- ☐ B Mind reading
- ☐ C Invisibility
- ☐ D Move Objects with your mind

How would you open a locked door?

- ☐ A Kick it down
- ☐ B Pick the lock
- ☐ C Find the key
- ☐ D Knock

Color tally:



If you got mostly red, you belong in the house of the brave of heart, **Gryffindor**.

If you got mostly green, cunning **Slytherin** is where you thrive.

If you picked mostly blue, your wit places you in **Ravenclaw**.

If you picked mostly yellow, **Hufflepuff** is where you hang your hat.

Returning core leads Bearcats into indoor season

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A 15-week wait is nearly over for Northwest indoor track and field as it prepares for the opening meet of the 2018-2019 season Dec. 7-8 in the Hughes Fieldhouse.

The Mel Tjeerdsma Classic will not only be the first indoor meet held at Northwest, but the first meet under new coach Brandon Masters. Masters has been with the team since the beginning of this season's training and is ready to see what the athletes do in competition.

"Practice is one thing, and I know these kids and how they practice, but there are many people that compete at a much higher level than they practice," Masters said. "People really shine when the lights are brightest, and I am excited to see that next step when we compete Dec. 7-8."

Masters is not the only one who is ready to get on the track for competition, as senior Kevin Schultz has seen a desire throughout the team.

"The team is hungry," Schultz said. "Anytime you've been prepping for a long period of time, you just start to get anxious for competition."

With Masters still learning where the best spots are for each athlete, the leaders on the team will need to step up early in the season and take on a bigger role. With returning NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships qualifiers like juniors Hiba Mahgoub and Jordan Hammond on the women's side and Schultz on the men's side, the expectations will be set high.

Masters has seen the growth already from the leaders throughout

NEXT GAME

Mel Tjeerdsma Classic
Dec. 7-8
Hughes Fieldhouse

the first 15 weeks of training and preparation.

"We have some great leadership and culturally we've grown so much as a team and a family," Masters said. "I'm excited to see how it plays out."

Schultz is one of the leaders that Masters spoke about, and he saw firsthand the growth from the beginning of training to now.

"One team, one dream" has been our motto for the fall," Schultz said. "We've grown together to be closer as a team and live one another up."

The Bearcats will have a chance to prove themselves at home this season with four scheduled home meets including the MIAA Championships. The opportunity to host meets and show progress Northwest has made in track and field is something that Masters said is a priority this season.

"The biggest thing we want to do is host great meets, that's the primary focus. We have the MIAA to prepare for," Masters said. "We want to put on a great meet, so that is a big deal for us administratively."

An opportunity to prove that the new facility, all the training and the team motto of "one team one dream" are all worth it will begin for Northwest indoor track and field Dec. 7-8.



Senior Kevin Schultz is part of a core group of athletes who return for the 2018-2019 indoor track and field season with NCAA championships experience.

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COLUMN

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This will be the first season since 2014 that neither the Spoofhounds nor Bearcats advance to their respective championship games, and that's OK. It's not an indication that the sky is falling or that culture doesn't win or that tradition does indeed graduate, rather, it's the odds catching up to the residents of "Title Town."

Last year, a Maryville team that graduated 22 starters the previous spring won the Class 3 State Championship. The year before, in 2016, the Spoofhounds fought all the way to the title game before falling short.

In that same year, Northwest won its second straight national title, coupling with 2015 for an extremely rare back-to-back title run. One has to go all the way back to 2014 to find the last time neither team in town made an appearance in a title game.

In Maryville, both teams competing for a championship is the norm. Elsewhere, it's unheard of. Northwest has often been dubbed "the Alabama of Division II," but where Alabama fails, Maryville succeeds. No high school team in Tuscaloosa County has won a state championship in the last decade.

The same is true at the Division III level. While the University of Mount Union in Alliance, Ohio, and the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater have dominated the Division III football slate for most of the last decade, no high school for either team's hometown has appeared in a state championship since 2010, and before that, the 1980s.

My point is that what the Bearcats and Spoofhounds have continued to do for more than a decade is completely unprecedented. This season didn't go as planned for either team, but that shouldn't be cause for disappointment, but instead, a moment of reflection.

They call this place "Title Town" for a reason, and that's because what's done here on a consistent basis is done nowhere else in the country.

Neither Maryville nor Northwest will get the opportunity to hoist a championship trophy this year but stick around. The odds say that one--or both--of Title Town's teams will be back in the title game next year, and that's not the case anywhere but here.

MHS FOOTBALL

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For a majority of the team, next fall will roll around bringing with it a new slate of games. But for 15 Maryville seniors, the loss to Trinity brought with it the end of their high school careers. For seniors like running backs Tyler Houchin and Eli Dowis, linebacker Jason Bagley and lineman Cade Gustafson, among others, there is no next year.

"(We're) a hardworking class," Houchin said of this year's seniors. "We showed it out on the field, just great guys. It's a new chapter ahead of me and ahead of all of us, and we're just going to take it."

The group of seniors accumulated a number of individual awards and accolades, though their accomplishments together shine brighter. The seniors took part in the state

championship run a season ago and competed for another one the year before.

Over the course of four seasons, they never lost a home game. And still, the end seems to have come a week too soon for the graduating class.

"I'm very proud of all of our seniors," Webb said. "They were very committed and gave a lot of time and effort. They're leaving it a better place and that's what you want to do when you come in as freshmen. You buy in and you commit, and that's what we mean by 'Tradition never graduates.' They've helped carry on a great tradition."

For the seniors, the end of the road has come. And for the entire team, the end to the season has come with it. In a way, the campaign ended the same way it began: with a loss that poses more ques-

tions than it answers.

The Spoofhounds suffered a Week 1 setback to Blair Oaks before ripping off 12-consecutive wins, wreaking havoc on the MEC in the process. They rebounded from the loss and seemed to take it in stride, attempting to play their way to a second-consecutive state title.

In that regard, Maryville failed. For the first time since 2015, the team will not get the chance to compete for a state title. So the 'Hounds will do what they always do and rebound accordingly a season from now.

While every school in the state strives to develop a football program that perennially contends for championships, Maryville will make minor adjustments, perfecting the formula that seems to bring

state titles more often than not.

Regardless of the players who make up the roster or who's starting at quarterback, Maryville finds itself among the elite every year. It isn't about the players on the field, but the winning tradition they've grown accustomed to upholding--one that doesn't graduate.

"We've got great kids in this community that come from great parents," Webb said. "(They) teach their kids that it's important in life to invest in something and commit to things that are a little bit bigger than yourself. When you've got great support from parents, you've got great support from the community ... all those things make Maryville a very special place. I'm humble and proud to be the head football coach here."

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Guard Kendey Eaton, a junior transfer from North Central Missouri College, leads Northwest in scoring with 13.8 points per game this season.

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Culture change showing under new leadership

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With six games complete, Northwest women’s basketball is beginning to see a shift in culture.

The Bearcats (2-4) have earned wins in two of their past four games. The latest came with a 73-23 victory over the University of St. Mary Nov. 24.

Northwest held the Spires (1-5) to just nine points in the first half. St. Mary hit just 17 percent of its shots.

For coach Austin Meyer, the Bearcats win over the NAIA program brought several positives to the table. At the same time, Northwest will look back on a 43-67 loss to William Jewell Nov. 23 to identify things to improve upon.

“We show a lot of clips of what we did wrong, but we always try to deliver it in a way of this is the issue, let’s fix it and be better because of it,” Meyer said.

Northwest’s analysis of both games began Nov. 27. A day prior, the team took the day off. Though classes were also canceled due to weather conditions, athletes such as junior guard Erika Schlosser took in shots at Bearcat Arena.

This wasn’t the first time athletes have stepped onto the hardwood under their own will this season. Several members of the team did just that following Northwest’s 87-78 loss to Maryville University Nov. 17.

The individual level work isn’t necessarily a suggestion from coaches. In fact, Meyer and his staff have held their athletes accountable.

“The more they do that and take ownership of it, that’s where you want the program to go,” Meyer said. “We’ve talked about building a culture and changing the way

NEXT GAME

Northwest vs Nebraska Christian

1 p.m. Dec. 1

Bearcat Arena

things are done. I think we are on the right path.”

Northwest already has one more win under its belt than it did at this point a year ago. In another week, the Bearcats open up MIAA play.

Confidence on the court is on a rise as the team continues to adjust to Meyer’s leadership. Though there has been some change in x’s and o’s, there have also been changes in competitiveness.

“I think the biggest adjustment was just learning the way he wants us to play,” sophomore Mallory McConkey said. “It wasn’t like a big adjustment.”

McConkey has had a personal adjustment of her own this season. As a freshman, she competed as a guard. Now, she holds the role of being a forward.

The biggest change has been learning to adjust to screens while being undersized compared to athletes she is matched up against.

“There was a little more depth at our guard position than there was last year,” Meyer said. “With our ball screen offense, it helps us.”

Northwest’s next focus is a matchup with Nebraska Christian (2-9) at 1 p.m. Dec. 1 at Bearcat Arena.

In the days leading up to the game, the main area of concern is showing improvement.

“There’s a lot of positive we can find right now,” Meyer said. “We just got to take those negatives right now and turn them into positives.”

Spoofhounds struggle offensively in Savannah

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Coming off a stretch of six days without game action, the Maryville girls basketball team was back at it Nov. 27 against William Chrisman in the first round of the Savannah Tournament.

The Spoofhounds (1-1) were challenged with the task of playing a much larger school in William Chrisman, a Class 5 team.

The ‘Hounds were unable to keep pace with the Bears (2-0) falling 45-29. Despite the outcome, this game was a test that Maryville coach Quentin Albrecht felt his team needed to be successful this season.

“We want to play those really good teams, those bigger schools, so that when we get to our district and we drop down and start seeing schools that are a little bit more on our level, we’ll be able to go out and compete because we’ve been there, done that,” Albrecht said. “I think this was a great game for us.”

Maryville was led in scoring by sophomore standout Serena Sundell, who was often double-teamed by the Bears in the contest.

NEXT GAME

Maryville vs Benton JV

4 p.m. Nov. 29

Savannah

Coming off of a 31-point performance in the season opener against Jefferson, Sundell was unable to put up those kinds of numbers in this game but still managed to score in double figures with 10 points, despite her shots not falling from the perimeter.

“My shot was off, I don’t think I made any outside shots,” Sundell said. “I mean, I just tried to stay aggressive. When we set screens, they did a really good job of hedging, but I’ve got to find a way around them.”

Sophomore Emily Cassavaugh chipped in with seven points, doing most of her work in the paint, where the ‘Hounds had the majority of their success, with very little falling from the outside, along with a struggle from the entire team at the



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Sophomore Serena Sundell managed just ten points in Maryville’s 45-29 loss to William Chrisman Nov. 27 in the opening round of the Savannah Tournament.

free throw line. The Spoofhounds could not translate the success they had at the line against Jefferson, where they turned in a 13-14 effort,

going only 3-8 against Chrisman. The inside presence demonstrated by Chrisman gave Maryville problems from start to finish.

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NW MEN’S BASKETBALL

MIAA Standings

Overall MIAA

NORTHWEST.....	7-0	0-0
Missouri Southern.....	5-1	0-0
Pittsburg State.....	4-1	0-0
Washburn.....	4-1	0-0
Central Missouri.....	5-2	0-0
Central Oklahoma.....	4-2	0-0
Lindenwood.....	6-3	0-0
Emporia State.....	3-2	0-0
Lincoln.....	3-2	0-0
Nebraska Kearney.....	3-2	0-0
Northeastern State.....	3-2	0-0
Missouri Western.....	5-4	0-0
Fort Hays State.....	3-3	0-0
Southwest Baptist.....	2-3	0-0

NW WOMEN’S BASKETBALL

MIAA Standings

Overall MIAA

Central Oklahoma.....	4-0	0-0
Fort Hays State.....	5-0	0-0
Lincoln.....	5-0	0-0
Central Missouri.....	5-1	0-0
Emporia State.....	5-1	0-0
Lindenwood.....	5-1	0-0
Pittsburg State.....	4-1	0-0
Missouri Southern.....	4-2	0-0
Nebraska Kearney.....	4-2	0-0
Northeastern State.....	3-3	0-0
Missouri Western.....	3-4	0-0
Southwest Baptist.....	2-3	0-0
Washburn.....	2-3	0-0
NORTHWEST.....	2-4	0-0

NW FOOTBALL

Final Results

NW vs. Missouri Western.....	W, 28-6
NW @ Washburn.....	W, 38-17
NW vs. Missouri Southern.....	W, 63-0
NW @ Central Oklahoma.....	L, 31-21
NW vs. Emporia State.....	W, 41-0
NW @ Pittsburg State.....	W, 31-7
NW vs. Nebraska Kearney.....	W, 27-13
NW @ Lindenwood.....	W, 38-17
NW @ Northeastern State.....	W, 62-17
NW vs. Fort Hays State.....	L, 17-16
NW @ Central Missouri.....	W, 48-21
NCAA Division II Playoffs	
NW @ Grand Valley State.....	W, 42-17
NW @ Ferris State.....	L, 27-21

MHS FOOTBALL

Final Results

MHS @ Blair Oaks.....	L, 38-35
MHS vs. Harrisonville.....	W, 36-0
MHS vs. Chillicothe.....	W, 47-0
MHS @ St. Pius.....	W, 56-0
MHS @ Cameron.....	W, 72-12
MHS vs. Benton.....	W, 58-8
MHS vs. Bishop LeBlond.....	W, 82-8
MHS @ Savannah.....	W, 41-7
MHS @ Lafayette.....	W, 27-7
Class 3 - State Tournament	
MHS vs. Northeast.....	W, 13-0
MHS vs. Chillicothe.....	W, 38-7
MHS vs. Savannah.....	W, 34-12
MHS vs. Odessa.....	W, 29-6
MHS @ Trinity Catholic.....	L, 36-14

Northwest focused on growth amid strong start

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Northwest men's basketball heads into a weekend matchup with Midland College Dec. 1 on the heels of its most convincing victory of the young season.



The No. 2 Bearcats (7-0) demolished Tabor College (3-6) 93-43 at Bearcat Arena Nov. 23, picking apart the Bluejays while shooting 57.6 percent from the field. The game allowed Northwest an opportunity to develop its depth, something that has been a point of emphasis for coach Ben McCollum and company so far.

Freshman guard Xavier Rhodes, senior forward Dray Starzl, junior forward Tyler Dougherty and sophomore guard Daric Laing all logged double-digit minutes in the contest off the bench while highlighting the increased focus the Bearcats have placed on depth this season.

"Depth for us is different than depth for others," McCollum said. "Some people like depth because they don't have a lot of separation between eight and 10, so they just play 10 guys. For us, our big thing is, at some point, No. 8, 9 or 10, they're going to win us a game. But in order to do that, they have to play."

The Bearcats were supposed to take a step back this season after graduating the remaining nucleus of the 2017 NCAA Division II National Championship team last spring. Despite facing the challenge of replacing four of its five starters, including three-time MIAA Player of the Year Justin Pitts, Northwest has shown no signs of diminishing.

Still, the team is focused on growth. McCollum has continued to stress that his team is nowhere near where it needs to be. The Bearcats take each practice in stride and enter each game with a goal of improvement.

"With this group, it's consistency," McCollum said. "If you have one emphasis today, get a little better at that, and then continue to get a rhythm offensively and defensively, then that's our goal."

For Northwest, the win column

NEXT GAME

Northwest vs Midland College
3 p.m. Dec. 1
Bearcat Arena

paints the picture of a team that has realized its full potential, while McCollum has underlined the opposite. The Bearcats are playing well more often than they aren't, though their coach worries that the continued winning could mask potential problems.

Northwest's growth this season has been measurable, though McCollum is unsure if it is where it needs to be.

"I don't know," McCollum said. "Wins can kind of make you not see things that you should be seeing. And so, I don't know. I guess it probably remains to be seen as we progress as to who we play. I enjoy this team. I think sometimes they (the Bearcats) have trouble being consistent in practice. I think sometimes they get a little bored with the process... I think comes with experience and understanding that, 'Hey, these teams can actually beat you if you don't prepare the right way.'"

One of the biggest keys for Northwest's sustained success this season has been the emergence of sophomore forward Ryan Hawkins. While freshman guard Trevor Hudgins has led the team in scoring and garnered the most attention throughout the Bearcats' hot start, Hawkins' presence and performance cannot be ignored.

"He's got a motor," McCollum said of Hawkins. "He's constant. When you become a good rebounder, in order to do that you have to have that motor, you have to go every time. He just has always embraced that."

Hawkins, a native of Atlantic, Iowa, leads Northwest and the MIAA in rebounds with 77. After spending all of last season in a reserve role, the sophomore has averaged 15.3 points and 11 rebounds per game so far this season while starting every game.

"Rebounding-wise, that's fantastic," McCollum said. "He has the



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Sophomore forward Ryan Hawkins currently leads the MIAA in rebounds with 11 per game for a total of 77, in addition to averaging 15.3 points per game.

ability to stretch the floor, and then defensively, his length causes a lot of issues, just being able to get hands on balls, which helps us a lot."

Hawkins deflected credit for his accomplishments and the team's success to his teammates, as he's done all season. The forward even chalked up his own rebounding to the performance of his peers and McCollum's coaching.

"What makes a really good rebound? Having nobody around you," Hawkins said jokingly. "No,

just getting your man, getting him blocked out and everybody else doing it. It takes all five guys to get a good rebound. I think Mac's emphasized it this year a lot on defensive rebounding, it's been a focus in practice the last few weeks, so I think that's transitioning into games."

While the Bearcats seek continued growth and the development

of depth, Hawkins has helped lead them to a perfect record through the season's first seven games. As Northwest nears the start of MIAA play, they'll go into each game hoping to leave the court a better team than when they stepped onto it.

The team will look to do so again Dec. 1 when the Bearcats host Midland College at Bearcat Arena.

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Coach Rich Wright and the Northwest coaching staff have already begun preparation for the 2019 season. They began assessing the current roster pending the graduation of 19 seniors to determine the future landscape of the program. The 2018 season ended with a 27-21 loss to Ferris State in the second round of the NCAA Division II Playoffs Nov. 24.

Future bright for Wright, Bearcats

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Northwest football saw its upset bid and season come to a close in a 27-21 loss to Ferris State Nov. 24 in Big Rapids, Michigan. The Bearcats finished year two under coach Wright at 10-3 with a second-round exit in the NCAA Division II Playoff. The Bulldogs (13-0) jumped out to a 20-0 lead that would prove to be too much for the Northwest to overcome.



Not only did the loss end the season, it ended the college careers for 19 Northwest seniors. Many of the seniors received substantial playing time this season and throughout their time at Northwest. Despite losing many key pieces, coach Rich Wright was confident in the program's future with the youth they have.

"We're going to replace 19 seniors that were pretty big pieces of what we did, but we do feel like we have a great nucleus of guys coming back," Rich Wright said. "We are very excited about the future."

The future for Northwest will include returning a starting quar-

terback for the first time under Rich Wright. Freshman Braden Wright started all 13 games for the Bearcats and was named MIAA Freshman of the Year.

For Braden Wright, the season was a learning experience not only on the field but in the locker room with his teammates.

"Last year was kind of just an intro year, you could say," Braden Wright said. "All of us redshirts pretty much stayed all together and didn't branch out much. This year, I felt like I really did build relationships that will last a lifetime and playing that last game with the se-

niors was one of the hardest things to do knowing I won't get to play with them anymore."

One key factor that will help determine the growth and success of Braden Wright is the supporting cast that the coaching staff puts around him. The Bearcats' leading receiver senior Shawn Bane Jr. will not be back next year, but sophomore Alec Tatum was second to Bane in both receptions and receiving yards.

Another young wide receiver that stepped up this season is true freshman LaTroy Harper. Harper had his most productive receiving game as a Bearcat against Fer-

ris State, hauling in eight receptions for 115 yards.

Harper, Tatum and the other young group on offense give Braden Wright a group of players he is familiar with and he can grow with.

"I think it (the young returners) gives him (Braden Wright) a good nucleus of guys that he trusts," Rich Wright said. "Now it becomes timing and relationships and knowing where they are going to be. A cohesion that we haven't had since I've been able to take over just because there has always been a different quarterback in place."

Trinity Catholic ends hopes of repeat state championship run

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The nature of playoff football is cruel by design. At the kickoff of any given postseason contest, each participating team is just 48 minutes from possible elimination.

Regardless of what either team did to get to that point, its entire season is boiled down to mere minutes. With a chance of extending its season one more week at stake, each team is forced to toe the line of elimination, desperately hoping for its season's survival.

One team moves on triumphantly, while the other heads home anguished.

Maryville football experienced the brutal reality of the sport's postseason Nov. 24, falling to Trinity Catholic High School 36-14 in a MSHSAA Class 3 semifinal match-up in St. Louis, Missouri.



Senior running back Eli Dowis and junior wide receiver Tate Oglesby embrace following Maryville's heartbreaking loss to Trinity Catholic in the MSHSAA Class 3 State tournament semifinals Nov. 24.

team built by what Webb described as recruiting "the best players in St. Louis and (putting) them on one team," Maryville was overmatched. With their shot already long, the Spoofhounds played the game with sophomore quarterback Ben Walker sidelined with a concussion.

Ultimately, the 'Hounds fell short, as did their campaign for a

second-consecutive state title and a third-straight appearance in the Class 3 championship game. It's likely that Maryville will be poised for another deep playoff run next season, but for now, Webb and company will pause for a moment of reflection before beginning to move forward.

"If you have a goal that you

want to win a state championship ... and you don't accomplish it, I think all good programs reflect and see what you can do to get better," Webb said. "There's no setting back. We've got a process that we follow every year, and that's exactly what it'll be."

Early playoff exits are not end of world

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The end came for Maryville high school on an oddly warm day in late November in a suburb of St. Louis called Dutchtown. For Northwest, it came within the confines of Top Taggart Field in Big Rapids, Michigan, on the same day.

For each football team that plays its home games in Maryville, the end came Nov. 24 at the hands of high-powered offenses in the postseason.

For four quarters last Saturday, Maryville football was dominated by Trinity Catholic High School, resulting in a 36-14 loss for the Spoofhounds. And similarly, Northwest's comeback bid against Ferris State fell short, as the Bearcats season ended via a crushing 27-21 loss to the Bulldogs.

With the loss to Trinity, Maryville's bid for a second consecutive MSHSAA Class 3 State Title fell short, and with the loss to Ferris State, the Bearcats failed to advance to the NCAA Division II National Championship game for the second consecutive year.

Some might think the facts listed above are the appropriate pretense for mourning or riot, but the opposite is true. Now is a time to reflect and to recognize the unlikely greatness that has taken place in Maryville over the last half-decade, a period of football dominance that history says will return.